

# **Brownfields 2004 Grant Fact Sheet**

# South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control

# **EPA Brownfields Program**

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, the President signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

## Community Description

The South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control was selected to receive a brownfields assessment grant. Jackson, which is near the Savannah River Superfund site, has a population of 1,625 residents, of whom 12.4 percent live in poverty. Because several businesses have relocated over the years, the population continues to decline as many residents leave to seek employment elsewhere. Numerous vacant buildings and properties remain, including the targeted site, which occupies one of the



### **Assessment Grant**



### \$25,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control for a brownfields assessment grant. Grant funds will be used in the Town of Jackson to assess a former service station site and conduct community outreach. The site has five old underground storage tanks that do not meet regulatory standards. Other tanks have yet to be found.

### Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields

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http://www.epa.gov/region4/waste/bf/index.htm

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The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, the activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

most visible locations in town. This site will be redeveloped into a roadside park and is expected to spur redevelopment efforts by encouraging current businesses to remain and attracting new businesses into the town.